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For: METHOD FOR ESTIMATING  
DC MOTOR COIL TEMPERATURE,  
DC MOTOR CONTROL METHOD  
AND THEIR DEVICES

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Japanese Patent Publication No. 1-248927 appears to disclose a vehicle steering system with a motor controller that detects a malfunction of a motor irrespective of the amplitude of a current by discriminating the malfunction according to the value of a DC imaginary resistance obtained on the basis of the duty ratio of a current, an applied voltage and a PWM signal to a DC motor. An English abstract is provided to better understand this reference. The international search report indicates that this reference is relevant to claims 1-28 of the international application and cites page 2, lower left column, line 12 to lower right column, line 3 as being relevant.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

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